Maine EMS Examination Committee Meeting Tuesday, May 15, 2001 Maine EMS Conference Room, Augusta

Minutes

Present: D. Gilman, K. Roderick, J. LeBrun, R. Doughty, D. Bahr, J. Vaniotis

Absent: E. Ekholm

Staff: D. White

1. Call To Order - The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

D. White reported that E. Ekholm had notified him that he would be unable to attend the meeting.

White also indicated that a vacancy exists for the Aroostook Regional Representative as D. Kinney has taken the position of Licensing Agent with Maine EMS.

- A. Introductions None
- B. Assign Timekeeper K. Roderick
- C. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda None

2. Minutes – April 17, 2001, meeting minutes - review for acceptance

The minutes of the April 17, 2001, meeting were reviewed.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the April 17, 2001, meeting (Doughty; Roderick - motion carries).

3. Old Business

A. Exam Administration Manual (EAM)

The Committee continued worked on the EAM appendices. Work to date was reviewed with work continuing with Appendix M at the next meeting.

B. New Paramedic Curriculum – Exam considerations

The Committee discussed Maine EMS' adoption of the new DOT curriculum and the effect it would have regarding the State Paramedic exam.

There was general discussion concerning the exam and the new Paramedic Curriculum. Committee members indicated that they would like a copy of the proposed curriculum to review. Staff will obtain copies.

Several members expressed the opinion that the current Paramedic written exam could be used until such time as the exam could be updated.

There was also discussion about using the Paramedic National Registry Exam. Members raised issues about the current use of the Registry exams at the First Responder and EMT-B levels, including higher fail rates associated with the BC0 exam and the Registry's unresponsiveness to data requests.

The Committee requested that staff continue to pursue statistics from the Registry.

The Committee will continue discussion at the next meeting.

- 4. New Business None
- 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2001, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Maine EMS in Augusta.

- A. Set Agenda Next agenda to include:
 - 1. Exam Administrators Manual Appendices
 - 2. Paramedic Curriculum Exam Considerations
- **6. Adjournment -** The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Drexell White